

IN THE CLAIMS (as originally filed):

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. - 11. (Canceled)

12. (New) A method for data transmission between a parcel compartment system and at least one central data processing unit for ~~the operation of~~ operating at least one or more parcel compartment systems, ~~characterized in that~~ having a communications device, the ~~method comprising the steps of collecting~~ events at a parcel compartment system (20) are ~~collected by means of a~~ the communication device (21) ~~of the parcel compartment system~~ (20) and the communication device (21) ~~associates~~ associating function messages with the events, ~~whereby combining~~ the function messages ~~are combined~~ into one single request and ~~transmitted~~ transmitting the request to the data processing unit (30), and the data processing unit (30) ~~executes~~ executing the functions corresponding to the events depending on the transportation or delivery company or user affected by the event and, if applicable, ~~sends~~ sending data back to the communication device (21).

13. (New) The method ~~according to~~ of Claim 12, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the events at the parcel compartment system (20) comprise depositing and/or picking-up shipments.

14. (New) The method ~~according to one or both of~~ Claims of Claim 1 and 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the events at the parcel compartment system (20) comprise the expiration of time intervals.

15. The method according to one or more of the preceding Claims of Claim 1 to 3, characterized in that comprising providing each request is provided with an unambiguous RequestID.

16. (New) The method according to of Claim 4, characterized in that comprising the sending component sends sending the RequestID with the request to the receiving component, and sending the response to the appertaining request is sent back with this RequestID.

17. (New) The method according to one or more of the preceding claims of Claim 12, characterized in that comprising the receiving component confirms confirming each function message with a status code that indicates the success or failure of the function message.

18. (New) The method according to of Claim 6 17, characterized in that comprising the sending component repeats repeating the function message if the receiving component has not sent back a status code within a certain period of time.